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Complaint Screening Committee REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

Tuesday, April, 16, 2013

Capitol Center
Basement Conference Room
15 South 15th Avenue
Phoenix, AZ 85007

1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular session of the Arizona Board of Psychologist Examiners Complaint Screening Committee was called to order by Chairman Donaldson, at 8:32 a.m. on April 16, 2013. No executive sessions were held.

2. ROLL CALL

Committee Members Present

Joseph C. Donaldson, Chair John P. DiBacco, Ph.D. Ramona N. Mellott, Ph.D. (Present Telephonically)

Staff Present

Megan Martin, Deputy Director Dr. Cindy Olvey, Executive Director

Attorney General's Office

Jeanne Galvin, Assistant Attorney General

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from the February 12, 2013, Complaint Screening Committee Meeting were considered for approval. Dr. DiBacco made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mellott to approve the minutes. Motion carried (2-1) with Mr. Donaldson abstaining.

4. CASE DISCUSSION/DECISION

a) Shannah Biggan, Ph.D., RFI 12-39

Dr. DiBacco summarized the case, including salient points of investigation and pertinent records. The Licensee was present, and represented by legal counsel, Kathy O'Meara. Ms. O'Meara requested to speak and made a statement. Dr. Biggan answered Committee members' questions. After deliberation, the Committee members found no evidence of violation of statute or rule by the Licensee. Dr. Mellott made a motion, seconded by Dr. DiBacco, to dismiss the case. The motion unanimously carried (3-0), by a voice vote.

b) Karin R. Ahlstrand, Ph.D., RFI 13-01

Dr. Mellott summarized the case, including salient points of investigation and pertinent records. The Licensee was present, and represented by legal counsel, Mark Lammers. Mr. Lammers requested to speak and made a statement. Dr. Ahlstrand answered Committee members' questions. Complainant and spouse of complainant were present, requested to speak, and made a statement. Dr. Ahlstrand answered Committee members' questions. After deliberation, the Committee members found no evidence of violation of statute or rule by the Licensee. Dr. Mellott made a motion, seconded by Mr. Donaldson, to dismiss the case. The motion carried (2-1), by a voice vote, with Dr. DiBacco voting "no."

5. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Committee, a motion to adjourn was made by Dr. Mellott, seconded by Dr. DiBacco, and unanimously carried (3-0), by a voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 9:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,	
Joseph C. Donaldson	Date